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Via Hand Delivery

Chairman Deborah Taylor Tate
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: *Petition of Atmos Energy Corporation for Approval of Gas Transportation
Agreement with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company* Docket No. 03-00540

Dear Chairman Tate:

We are filing with the docket office today an original and thirteen copies of the response by Atmos Energy Corporation to the Authority Staff's Data Request sent by Mr. Hal Novak on October 8, 2003. A courtesy copy of this filing has also been sent today to Mr. Novak via electronic mail.

Because the response and the enclosures contain highly sensitive and confidential trade secrets and competitive information protected by Tennessee law, Atmos has placed this information in a sealed envelope and stamped the information "Confidential." Atmos is submitting this information with the understanding that it will be shared only with the directors and necessary TRA staff, and that the information will not be disseminated on the TRA website nor disclosed to any third party without the prior written authorization of Atmos.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this filing.

Sincerely,



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